

Abstract of the Disclosure

A TIRE MOLD AND A METHOD OF RAPIDLY DEPRESSURIZING THE MOLD

- 5 A tire mold 2 for curing new or retreaded tires 20 has an upper platen 4, a lower platen 6, and a central rim 30 with a frangible member 50 designed to open when a predetermined pressure P_1 in excess of the normal curing pressure P_c is observed. The frangible member 50 preferably includes a rupture disk 60 that breaks upon exposure to the pressure P_1 .

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